Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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Hon. Kevin McCarthy Speaker House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

We write to you on a matter of great urgency: The imperative need to prevent the Biden administration from surrendering national and personal U.S. sovereignty to the unaccountable World Health Organization (WHO).

The WHO is an entity that proved itself during the recent pandemic to be a vehicle for advancing the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) objective of controlling the public health policy of member nations, most especially *ours*. Through such "global governance" mechanisms, the CCP seeks to advance its hegemonic ambitions.

Therefore, we are gravely concerned that the Biden administration is actively negotiating, largely behind closed doors, amendments to existing International Health Regulations and a new pandemic "treaty" that would grant the WHO's Director-General, Dr. Tedros Ghebreyesus, the authority to declare "public health emergencies of international concern" and dictate to member nations what must be done in response.² It is unclear how quickly such agreements might be put to a vote in the World Health Assembly, but majorities of the members in that body – in which, like the UN General Assembly, we have a single vote and no veto - may act on one or both, in whole or in part, as soon as the end of this month.

With President Biden seemingly encouraging such surrender of our sovereignty, we could shortly find ourselves bound to comply with global governance over not just pandemics, but anything else deemed by Dr. Tedros to be public health emergencies. That means anything from "gun violence," to "climate change," to the rights of and care provided for "undocumented migrants" are now all being subject to unilateral decision-making at the WHO.

Consequently, if we wish to avoid the unacceptable consequences of what is afoot with the World Health Organization, we have no choice but to withdraw from the organization in favor of a new voluntary arrangement for sharing information and otherwise dealing with transnational pandemics. The first step is to terminate further U.S. funding of the WHO, a roughly \$700 million annual contribution³ – money that could instead help our immediate deficit reduction efforts.

¹ https://foreignpolicy.com/2020/04/02/china-coronavirus-who-health-soft-power/

² https://www.who.int/news/item/25-02-2023-governments-hold-first-detailed-discussions-on-proposed-amendments-to-the-international-health-regulations-(2005)

³ https://www.who.int/about/funding/contributors/usa

Therefore, we call upon you to direct that there will be no more contributions from the United States to finance WHO activities and insist that President Biden give notice that our country will be exiting the World Health Organization as soon as possible.

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